

Reference Table of Award Mechanisms

Award Mechanism	Experience of Principal Investigator	Key Mechanism Elements	Dollars Available
Idea Development Awards	Independent investigators at the level of Assistant Professor (or equivalent) or above	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Encourage innovative research aimed at understanding the role and function of proteins produced by the <i>TSC1</i> and <i>TSC2</i> tumor suppressor genes • Preliminary data required 	An average of \$425,000 in direct and indirect costs for a 2- to 3-year period